

ESTIMATES OF IMPORTS INTO THE UNITED STATES

Commodity	:Allocation : Period :Beginning *	: Unit	:Import :Estimate:	: Comments
Dairy and Poultry Pro- ducts - Cheese	: 4-1-44	:Mil. lbs.	5	:CFB allocation. Consists of :soft cheese from Argentina to :be imported by trade, subject :to M-63 licenses.
Casein	:*1-1-44	:Mil. lbs.	54	:CFB Rec. No. 99 provides for :joint purchase of 73 million :pounds in Argentina to be :subject to CFB and CRMB al- :location. PD No. 4 to FEA :to procure 24,000 tons from :Argentina and Uruguay is held :up by WPB.
				: The above imports are ef- : fected by current negotia- : tions on joint UK-US pur- : chase of dairy products in : Argentina.
Chickens	:*4-1-44	:Mil. lbs.	2	:CFB Rec. No. 124 allocates 3
Turkeys	:*4-1-44	:Mil. lbs.	3	:million pounds of turkeys and :2 million pounds of chickens :to the U.S. from Argentina :and Uruguay. Negotiations :on purchase agreement with :U.K. proceeding favorably. :Directive No. 15 signed :5-9-44
Eggs, fresh & frozen	:*4-1-44	:Mil. doz.	.9	:No CFB allocation. Chiefly :commercial imports from :Canada exempt from M-63. :Review not necessary.
Fats & Oils except Butter and Lard	: 4-1-44	:Mil. lbs.	1,173	:CFB allocation. :FR&AC allocation is based on :estimates of probable imports :which are within CFB Commit- :tee recommended allocation :and WSA quotas. Under the :CFB allocation, U.S. is ex- :clusive purchaser of oilseeds :oils, and fats in North and :South America (excluding :Canada, but including the Cari- :bbean Islands) except animal :fats in Argentina and Uruguay; :of all oilseeds, oils and

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Fats & Oils except Butter and Lard-contd:				fats in Portuguese Africa, Spanish Africa, and Liberia; and of copra in Tahiti and other French Pacific Islands. Quotas are under continuous review by Food Importation Committee. Public purchases are covered by Procurement Directive No. 1 to FEA, as amended. Tendency is to re- turn import initiative to pri- vate channels and in some cases remove from M-63 listing
Butter	4-1-44		0	CFB allocation.
Lard	4-1-44		0	CFB allocation includes im- ports of Mexico and Cuba. U.K. is exclusive purchaser in Argentina of animal fats.
Dry Beans	4-1-44	Mil. bags	3	No CFB allocation. 1-1/2 mil- lion bags is a more reasonable estimate of imports, all of which are garbanzos from Mexico, to be purchased by FEA under existing contract. PD No. 5 consolidating direc- tives for purchasing dry legumes in other Latin Ameri- can countries shelved.
Dry Peas	4-1-44	Mil. bags	1	No CFB allocation from Chile.
Sugar, beet and cane	4-1-44	1,000 sh. tons	4,771	FR&AC allocation to be revised in light of revised estimates of Caribbean crop. CFB pro- visional Rec. No. 103 allocate to U.S. all the exportable surplus of Cuba, except 160,000 tons for U.K. of Puert Rico, Hawaii, and the mainland WSA quotas reviewed by Food Importation Committee, but not modified.
Maple sugar	*1-1-44	Mil. lbs.	4) Continental imports
Honey	*1-1-44	Mil. lbs.	36	
Molasses, syrups	*1-1-44	Mil. lbs.	12	Based on WSA quota for edible molasses.

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Canned fish	7-1-44	Mil. lbs.	10	CFB allocation pending. U.K. is exclusive purchaser in Canada, South Africa, Portugal and Spain. PD No. 3 to FEA for purchase up to 400 tons a month of bonito fillets from Peru for PR&VI has several requests for quotas. Food Importation Committee approved.
Salted & cured fish	7-1-43	Mil. lbs.	66.9	CFB allocation pending. CFB recommendations covered 1943 catch. PD No. 6 for 59,500 pounds from Newfoundland not effective; supplies already sold. Is cancelled. Directive Nos. 17 and 18 providing for public purchase of 4,000 barrels of Newfoundland split herring plus 1,792,000 pounds dried salted codfish from Newfoundland for P.R. before July 1, 1944 was signed 4/28/44.
Fresh and frozen fish	7-1-43	Mil. lbs.	75	No CFB allocation. Not covered by M-63.
Rice	4-1-44		0	No CFB allocation. Food Importation Committee has reviewed and modified rice directives.
Barley	*1-1-44	Mil. bu.	15	No CFB allocation.
Oats	*1-1-44	Mil. bu.	50	No CFB allocation.
Rye	*1-1-44	Mil. bu.	6	No CFB allocation.
Corn	*1-1-44	Mil. bu.	2	No CFB allocation. In the light of current food shortage Food Importation Committee has reviewed negotiations to import 700,000 tons of corn from Argentina by private purchase with corn removed from M-63, and 100,000 tons of corn from Brazil in exchange for 18,000 tons of fuel oil. WSA has indicated 10 ships may

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Corn - continued				be made available the third quarter of 1944 to move the corn but imports of coffee from Brazil or of other materials in South America would have to be reduced.
Wheat	*1-1-44	Mil. bu.	170	Under CFB allocation. This is from Canada and would be purchased by CCC.
Protein feeds	*1-1-44			CFB allocation for 1944. U.S. purchases are commercial. U.S. exclusive purchaser in Argentina of vegetable protein feeds. Purchases of animal protein feeds by U.S. and U.K. to be made under a price agreement, the limitation to be U.S. ceiling prices.
Nitrogenous & Potassic Fertilizers	*1-1-44			CFB Recs. No. 125 and No. 129 provide for nitrogenous fertilizers for U.S. from Canada. CFB Rec. No. 114 provides 3,080 short tons of K ₂ O in the form of nitrate of soda-potash from Chile to U.S. CFB Rec. No. 117 recommends the purchase by an appropriate U.S. agency of 30,000 metric tons of Muriate of potash from Spain for liberated areas.
Tea	1-1-44	Mil. lbs.	90	Pending CFB allocation is 80-90 million pounds. WSA quota is 90. PD No. 11 to FEA to procure up to 90 million pounds from India and Ceylon where U.K. is exclusive purchaser.
Green Coffee beans	*1-1-44	Mil. lbs.	2,301	No CFB allocation. 68 of this comes by rail from Mexico. Estimated on basis of WSA quota. PD No. 8 directs FEA to purchase 1½ million pounds from Dominican Republic for Puerto Rico.

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Cocoa beans	: 1-1-44	:Mil. lbs.:	: 692	:CFB allocation under consideration. Shipping quotas recommended by Food Importation Committee. PD No. 10 to FEA to purchase $\frac{1}{2}$ Ivory Coast mid-crop and PD No. 13 to purchase 30,000 tons in British West Africa in participation with U.K.
Tree nuts	:*7-1-43	:Mil. lbs.:	: 20.1	:Import estimates based on shipping quotas (U.S. position (March 31, 1944) to make 2,000 tons of shelled almonds in Sicily available to U.S. importers.)
Fresh vegetables	:*7-1-43	:Mil. lbs.:	: 296	:No quota or allocation. Mostly tomatoes. Includes 6.4 million pounds of garlic. PD No. 7 to FEA to procure additional 1,200 tons from Mexico to Chile and Argentina was cancelled because supplies not available at price we can pay.
Dehydrated vegetables	: 7-1-44	:1,000 lbs:	: 0	:U.S. is principal producer. FEA has contract with American Dehydrating Company of Cuba for 40 million pounds. Arrangements being made to cancel the contract.
Dehydrated Bananas	:*	:1,000 lbs:	: 1.2	:No allocation. Request for quota to Food Importation Committee has been approved.
Dry Onions	: 7-1-43	:Mil. lbs.:	: 75	:No CFB allocation. Imports to have been made in Jan.-Mar. quarter, and FEA made small purchases from Mexico. Proposed return to private purchase. Present indications are for good domestic supply.
Canned vegetables	: 7-1-43	: : :	: 0	:No CFB allocation. Request for quota of pimentos from Argentina and tomatoes from Cuba approved by Food Importation Committee.

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Fresh fruit, except citrus	:*7-1-43	:Mil. lbs.	:1,318	:Chiefly bananas, pineapples and apples. Import estimates determined by shipping quotas reviewed in Food Importation Committee. Initiative comes from trade. May import some apples from Canada for processing here.
Dried Fruit	: 7-1-43	:Sh. tons	: 900	:CFB allocation from Argentina. Was imported and sold to Sweden but not delivered. Now in store on Staten Island.
Canned Fruit	: 7-1-43	:	: 0	:No CFB allocation. FR&AC Subcommittee has recommended supplies of citrus concentrate and pulp in Sicily be allocated by CFB.
Vitamin A	: 1-1-44	:Tri.units:	: 10.8	:CFB allocation. WPB controls distribution. Imported by trade in form of unconcentrated product or raw materials under no quota restriction.
Carotene	:*	:	:	:Food Importation Committee forwarded 3/30/44 a directive No. 14 to FEA to purchase 2,500 tons high carotene palm oil for CFB allocation.
Ascorbic acid, riboflavin, thiamine, niacin	: 1-1-44	:	: 0	:CFB allocation pending. U.S. is principal producing country.
Citric acid & Tartaric	:*1-1-44	:1000 lbs.	: 250	:Allocated by WPB. CFB allocation pending. FEA negotiating for 400 long tons in Sicily for U.S., subject to CFB allocation.
Essential Oils	:	:	:	:Oil of peppermint allocated R&AC. Supplies in Sicily, Italy and North Africa under CFB negotiations.
Yeast	: 1-1-44	:	: 0	:No CFB allocation.
Spices	:	:	:	:
Pepper	: 10-1-43	:1000 lbs.	: 0	:No imports available.

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Spices - continued	:	:	:	:
Pimento	:	:	:1/2,672	:CFB allocation: to be removed after July 1 because in good supply.
Cinnamon and cassia	:	:	:1/4,528	:CFB allocation.
Cloves	:	:	: 4,480	:No CFB allocation.
Ginger	:	:	: 4,000	:Informal CFB allocation.
Mace	:	:	:1/ 657	:CFB allocation.
Nutmeg	:	:	:1/5,210	:CFB allocation. :(Assumed that shipping quotas are adjusted to CFB allocations.)
Vegetable seeds	: 7-1-43	:100 lbs.	: 446	:CFB allocation. Rec. No. 105
Field seeds	: 7-1-43	:Mil. lbs.	: 20	:January 20, 1944, on seeds to liberated areas provide for amounts from North Africa to be purchased by approved authorities of U.S.-U.K. and Canada. Action on procurement pending determination of policy on procurement for relief.

1/ Includes some amounts for Western Hemisphere countries except U.S. and Canada.

